

BLENDON TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
January 21, 2016

1. Bill Vanden Berg, Township Supervisor, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. Invocation by Betty Luurtsema.
3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.
4. Roll call. PRESENT: Bill Vanden Berg, Betty Luurtsema, Don Vander Kuyl
 ABSENT WITH NOTICE: Paul Blauwkamp, Robin Overway
5. Motion to approve the agenda made by Vander Kuyl, supported by Luurtsema. Motion carried.
6. Motion to approve the minutes of the Blendon Township Board meeting held on December 17, 2015, made by Vander Kuyl, supported by Luurtsema. Motion carried.
7. Motion to approve invoices dated December 18, 2015, through January 21, 2016 including an addendum made by Vander Kuyl, supported by Luurtsema. Motion carried.
8. Treasurer's Report submitted by Vander Kuyl.
9. Clerk's Report submitted by Overway
10. Supervisor's Report submitted by Vanden Berg.
11. Opportunity for Public Comment.
 - A. Dennis VanDam, District Director for Senator Meekof, introduced himself, and briefly discussed the status of Bill #571, being referred to as municipality Gag Order regarding expending money to give information about a proposal less than 60 days prior to an election.
 - B. Joan Dys, Township resident, inquired as to the status of the Stanton Woods project. The Board indicated that Kelly Cavanaugh, from Nederveld would be giving a presentation regarding the status.
12. Reports.
 - A. Blendon Township Emergency Services Board – Reviewed by VanderKuyl, Emergency Services Board member.
 - B. Fire Chief's Report – Staffing note read by the Supervisor, honoring Lieutenant Glenn Overweg's retirement announcement after service the Township for 25 years.
 - C. Police Activity Report – No report submitted.
 - D. Assessor's Report – Report read by Vander Kuyl.

- E. Building Activity Comparison Reports – Reviewed by Vanden Berg.
 - F. Cemetery Sexton’s Activity Report - No report submitted.
 - G. Building and Grounds Report – Submitted by Kurt Gernaat.
 - H. Zoning Administrator’s Report – Submitted by Zoning Administrator, Kurt Gernaat.
 - I. Planning Commission Minutes – Reviewed by Vanden Berg.
13. Tabled Business – None
14. New Business
- A. Motion to set the Public Budget Hearing Date to March 17, 2016 at 7:30pm at the Township Office, made by Luurtsema, supported by Vander Kuyl. Motion carried.
 - B. Motion to approve Resolution 2016-1.1 Proposed Stanton Woods Site Condominium as recommended by Planning Commission made by Vander Kuyl, supported by Luurtsema.
Roll Call Vote: Vander Kuyl, Yes; Luurtsema, Yes; Vanden Berg, Yes Resolution Adopted
 - C. Motion to table discussion regarding gravel roads until March Board Meeting, made by Vander Kuyl, supported by Luurtsema. Motion carried.
 - D. Motion to reappoint Vern Haveman to Compensation Commission made by Luurtsema, supported by VanderKuyl. Motion carried.
 - E. Motion to approve Resolution 2016-1.2 to authorize and direct the Supervisor to amend the 2015-2016 General Fund Budget line items, offered by Luurtsema and supported by Vander Kuyl.
Roll Call Vote: Vander Kuyl, Yes; Luurtsema, Yes; Vanden Berg, Yes Resolution Adopted
 - F. Budget review –Draft Budgets dated 1/18/16 were presented to the Board for review.
15. Correspondence and Information – None
16. Upcoming Events.
- A. Emergency Services – 12/31/15
 - B. Planning Commission – 1/05/16
 - C. Township Board – 1/21/16
17. With no other business to be brought before the Board, the Supervisor adjourned the meeting at 7:45 pm.

Recorded by Cindy Humphrey, Sr. Administrative Assistant
Submitted by Robin Overway, Township Clerk